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SUBJECT: INQUIRIES REGARDING MEDICAL TREATMENT IN USSR

HEW FOR DR. FISCHER, OIH

REF: LENINGRAD 517

1. IN VIEW OF NUMBER OF RECENT INQUIRIES ABOUT MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR AMCITS AT POLENOV CLINIC IN LENINGRAD, DEPARTMENT (EUR/SOV) HAS DISCUSSED MATTER WITH HEW'S OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL HEALTH.

2. AGREEMENT WAS REACHED THAT INQUIRIES WITHIN US SHOULD BE REFERRED TO DR. ROBERT FISCHER, DIRECTOR, OFFICE FOR EUROPE, OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL HEALTH, PARKLAWN BUILDING, ROOM 18-75, 5600 FISHER LANE, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND, 20852.

3. DR. FISCHER'S OFFICE WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT SOVIET MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS AND RECOMMEND THAT NECESSARY DATA BE SENT TO DR. YU. SHUMOV, CHIEF, THERAPY SECTION, DIVISION OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS, MINISTRY OF HEALTH.

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ACCORDING TO FISCHER, SHUMOV'S OFFICE MAKES FINAL DECISION

TO ACCEPT OR REJECT FOREIGN PATIENTS.

4. FOR LENINGRAD. APPRECIATE YOUR VETTING THIS PROPOSED PROCEDURE WITH POLENOV CLINIC.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE VIEWS OF EMBASSY AND CON GEN ON MOST ADVISABLE MEANS OF TRANSMITTING MEDICAL DOCUMENTS FROM US TO MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS IN LENINGRAD. SHOULD DOCUMENTS BE SENT BY REGISTERED INTERNATIONAL MAIL OR WOULD YOU BE PREPARED TO DELIVER SUCH MATERIAL IF IT IS SENT VIA DEPARTMENT? KISSINGER

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